



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Murphy, et al.

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: ALPHA GALACTOSIDASES AND METHODS FOR MAKING AND USING Title

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the final office action, mailed March 26, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response was initially due June 26, 2003. Applicants herein submit a petition for a three month extension of time to September 26, 2003, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

This response is accompanied by a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Thus, the finality of the outstanding final office action will be withdrawn and Applicants are entitled to have this first submission for this RCE entered and considered on the merits.

The amendments are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the drawings are on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

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- Transmittal letter, check and Petition for Extension of Time;

- Postcard
- Request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114
- Exhibit A and Exhibit B
- Rule 132 declaration by Dr. Jay Short;
- Corrected Figure 5A and annotated sheet showing changes; and
- Supplementary Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO 1449.